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ELECTRIFICATION OF VILLAGES OF JHARKHAND
DUKHA BHAGAT

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of villages in Jharkhand without electricity as on date, district-wise;

(b) the time by which total electrification is likely to achieve in Jharkhand; and

(c) the steps being taken by the Government to remove such impediments?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) : District-wise details of unelectrified villages in Jharkhand as on 1.4.2002 as furnished by Jharkhand State Electricity Board are given below :

Sl.No.	District	No. of un-electrified villages
1.	Ranchi	1806
2.	Palamu	1431
3.	Garhwa	650
4.	Latehar	727
5.	Gumla	831
6.	Simdega	408
7	Lohardaga	306
8.	Hazaribagh	704
9.	Koderma	808
10.	Chatra	1111
11.	E. Singhbhum	1156
12.	W. Singhbhum	1767
13.	Saraikela	
14.	Dumka	3399
15.	Jamtara	
16.	Pakur	1031
17.	Sahebganj	1211
18.	Deoghar	2277
19.	Godda	1660
20.	Giridih	1635
21.	Bokaro	399
22.	Dhanbad	374
	Total	23691

(b) & (c) : Jharkhand State Electricity Board (JSEB) aims to achieve totalelectrification of villages by the end of 10th Five Year Plan. In order to achieve this objective, JSEB has adopted the strategy to execute village electrification work onturnkey basis and departmentally.

Although it is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments/StateElectricity Boards (SEBs) to electrify the villages, in view of the resource constraint faced by State Governments/SEBs, the Government of India are providing financialassistance for village electrification programme.

Government of India have released an amount of Rs.379.60 lakhs andRs.2819.00 lakhs under Pradhan Mantri Gramodaya Yojana (PMGY) and MinimumNeeds Programme (MNP) respectively for rural electrification during 2001-02 toJharkhand. Planning Commission have made an allocation of Rs.7446.00 lakhs for allthe six components of PMGY including rural electrification, as Additional Central Assistance for the year 2002-2003. Under the revised guidelines, the States have theflexibility to decide allocation of ACA among the six PMGY sectors as per their ownplan priorities and discretion. Besides, it has been proposed to allocate an amount of Rs.6800.00 lakhs to Jharkhand under MNP during 2002-03 for rural electrification.